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DPS Criminal Investigators Make Arrests in Holbrook Bus Station and Seize 9 Pounds of Heroin

The heroin, which was being concealed in the shoes worn by both suspects, was unrelated to 60 pounds of marijuana also found on bus that suspects were traveling in

On November 30th at 11:30 p.m., Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) Detectives working with a multi-agency task force arrested two suspects at the Greyhound Bus Station located at the Circle K convenience store in Holbrook, Arizona. The arrests were made after detectives discovered that the two suspects were concealing 6 pounds of Heroin in their shoes. After being arrested, the suspects provided information that resulted in the arrest of another suspect in Gallup, New Mexico, who was found with 3 pounds of heroin.

The series of events that led the DPS detectives and the multi-agency task force officers to discover the heroin began when a Greyhound Bus driver informed the Holbrook Police Department that there was a strong odor of marijuana coming from the baggage compartment of the bus he was driving. With the help of a police canine, two cardboard boxes were found in the luggage compartment of the bus. The boxes contained six five gallon plastic paint buckets which contained about 10 pounds each of marijuana.

While interviewing passengers in an attempt to locate a possible owner of the boxes, Detectives made contact with two men later discovered to have the six pounds of heroin concealed in their shoes. During the interview the suspects told police about another suspect who was riding the bus and also concealing heroin. Gallup, New Mexico police found the heroin and arrested the suspect. The sixty pounds of marijuana discovered in the bus was not related to the three men arrested for carrying the heroin.

The following suspects were booked into the Navajo County Jail:

- -Arnulfo Duarte Campas, 34, San Luis, Arizona was booked for transportation of a narcotic drug and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- -Luis E. Tejeda-Velazquez, 21, San Luis, Arizona was booked in for the same charges.
- -Arnulfo Duarte Najera, 57, San Luis, was arrested in Gallup, New Mexico on transportation of narcotics.

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